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ALUMNI DAY SATURDAY, MAY 28

IS A DATE TO MARK ON YOUR
CALENDAR--

We Are Expecting You and Yours

YOU DO NOT HAVE TO MAKE LUNCHEON RESERVATIONS

EDITORIALS



My Fellow Alumni:

Nothing could be more thrilling at LR than to have the campus crowded with former students for commencement the last of this month. And what could be more exciting to you than to be a part of the crowd?

Joining the class of '55 for their graduation exercises will refresh the memories of your own graduation. Attending the commencement events, especially those of Alumni Day, will bring a reunion with many of your classmates and schoolmates of days gone by. The most of you will see and greet teachers who played a part in your education. Among the most precious associations and ties are those centering in our Alma Mater, but they grow weak unless they are often renewed. Sometimes it is only after the passing of years that we come to

a full appreciation of these relationships.

A special attraction this commencement is the unfolding of the future of Lenoir Rhyne in the program of expansion and development. You'll hear the latest reports on the campaign. You'll learn about the buildings to be erected first and the others to follow. A review of the past, a view of the present and a preview of the future will blend in what you see and hear on the campus.

From all directions the traffic will be headed toward Lenoir Rhyne the last of May. We eagerly await your arrival.

VOIGT R. CROMER, President.

Dear Alumni:

Another school year is about to be consummated. The class of 1955 will soon assume their responsibilities in the professions and fields in which they have trained. Next fall the class of '59 arrives to fill the shoes of this year's grads. It seems like only yesterday when you donned your cap and gown, tucked that sheep skin under your arm and went out to conquer the world.

This year the classes of 1900, 1905, 1910, 1915, 1920, 1925, 1930, 1935, 1940, 1945, and 1950 will hold reunions on Alumni Day. The class of '50 gets together for their first reunion. Just as a reminder to our reunion classes we would like to quote from the introduction pages of the 1950 HACAWA with the hope of rekindling a fire of nostalgia. These words, or suitable facsimiles of same have appeared in the pages of the Lenoir Rhyne annaul through ages past.

HACAWA 1950

Tomorrow's Strength is But Thoughts of Yesterday

A Yesterday at Lenoir Rhyne . . . Remembering all the little things that counted . . . being late for eight o'clock classes and getting up Dr. Keiser's notebooks . . . coffee at the Tonk . . . Harry presiding at Student Body meetings . . . the thrill of a kick-off and the excitement after the L. R.-U. N. C. basketball game . . . playing hearts in the Gym . . . unending registration lines . . . cutting classes to make homecoming floats . . . the thrill of dance night when each frat went all out to give us a night to remember.

Today as we face Tomorrow we are inspired through our memories of Yesterday at Lenoir Rhyne . . . How . . .

We Worked

Bible charts . . . Lysterly's research themes . . . Mrs. Brandon's maps . . . Poetry books . . . Monday night rush in the library . . . Last minute scramble for outside reading material . . . The quiet that settles over the dorms as exam week begins . . . The relief or dismay over report cards . . . Those long afternoon labs . . . Pianos in Annex going full blast all day . . . And, in spite of distractions, a worthwhile year.

We Worshipped

L. S. A. helping students from abroad . . . CHEY appeal for a Greater Lenoir Rhyne . . . World Student Service Fund drive . . . Student service night in St. Andrew's and Holy Trinity . . . Inspiration from chapel programs.

We Played

The Powder Bowl . . . Card games—Bridge and Canasta . . . The "Tonk" and Student Center—rush hour, nine P. M. . . . Intramural games—fun for everyone . . . The Center and Carolina . . . Football games at College Field . . . The Community Center, Hickory's pride and scene of L. R. basketball tilts . . . Those out-of-town games . . . pep meetings in front of the dining hall . . . all memories we'll never forget.

And On Special Occasions

Those special nights, music and dancing . . . Frosh welcoming—a shirt tail parade . . . Homecoming celebration . . . May Day and Graduation—a fitting completion of our year to remember.

We hope these words make you down right home sick. HURRY HOME - May 28.

Campaign to Continue Until Goal Is Reached

REPORT TO SYNOD SHOWS —\$200,000.00 Short

The report to the North Carolina Synod convention held in Wilmington, April 27 showed that the Lenoir Rhyne College Campaign to raise \$1,500,000 was \$200,000 short of its mark. Following the convention, leaders of the Campaign under the chairmanship of Malcolm M. Palmer of Albemarle are now directing attention to raising the balance of the \$200,000 needed to reach the goal. By decision of the Campaign Executive Committee, the solicitation will actively continue until the objective is reached.

Churches have been asked to continue every possible effort to assure the needed balance in the next few weeks. This extension necessitates additional leadership by the Lutheran Pastors in activating local committees to make a complete solicitation of members who may have underestimated the size of gifts necessary to reach such an objective, and in encouraging the "Book of Memory" plan for individuals and groups who contribute \$150 and more. In addition, churches are encouraged to consider designated gifts for individual rooms or sections of the proposed seven buildings at Lenoir Rhyne College.

Malcolm Palmer has made a special appeal to all Lutheran churches in North Carolina to activate the campaign of organization towards the completion of the program which is the greatest challenge ever made to the Lutheran people. Chairman Palmer cited the successful experiences of other denominations in improving and enlarging colleges and institutions. He expressed great confidence in the determination of the Lutheran leaders in completing the Lenoir Rhyne Campaign at nothing short of the \$1,500,000. The Campaign Executive Committee was called into special session Wednesday, May 4, for the purpose of planning a successful conclusion of the campaign during the next few weeks.

According to Campaign leaders, many of the churches throughout the state are exceeding their objectives. The "Book of Memory" plan is causing many contributors to increase their gifts so that they may be included in this permanent record which will be located in one of the new college buildings.

Included in the Lenoir Rhyne College Campaign are seven new buildings and endowment requiring minimum needs of \$1,500,000. The buildings include the Shuford Gymnasium, Music Building, College Union Building, Women's Dormitory,

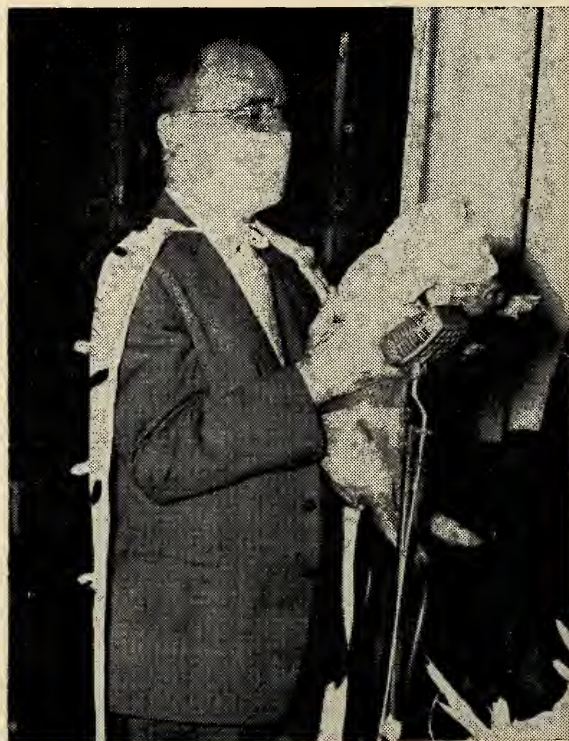
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Hickory Over Half Million —And Still Going

The Hickory community, which had set a quota of four hundred thousand dollars minimum, as its mark to shoot at in the current Lenoir Rhyne College Campaign, chalked up a total of \$443,732 contributed or pledged, at a Victory Dinner held Thursday, March 31 in the College dining hall. At the present time this total stands past the half million mark for the Hickory area.

Dr. Glenn R. Frye, general chairman of the Hickory campaign urged local solicitors to keep working until they had exhausted their prospect lists, and he voiced the hope that the final total would exceed four hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

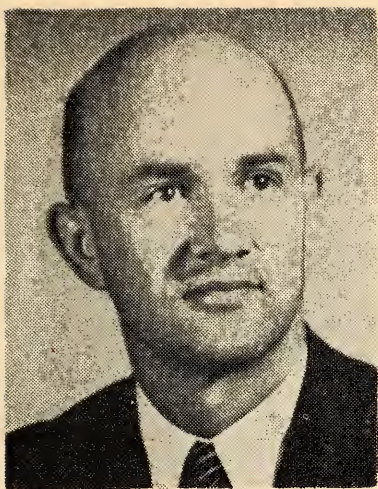
Malcolm M. Palmer, of Albemarle, who is the statewide chairman, declared that with the campaign starting on its last half-million dollars, he felt confident the overall minimum goal of \$1,500,000 would be exceeded. He praised Dr. Voigt R. Cromer, president of Lenoir Rhyne, and asserted that Lutherans all over North Carolina would continue to work until the final goal is over subscribed.



DR. FRYE AND "BACON"

"What Hickory has done will serve as a pattern and example for the rest of the state," he said and added: "we shall be

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HAHN



CARROLL



WHITTECAR

Speakers Named For 64th Commencement

Principal speakers for Lenoir Rhyne College's sixty-fourth annual commencement exercises were announced in April by Dr. Voigt R. Cromer, president of the college. They are Dr. Charles Fisher Carroll of Raleigh, the Reverend George R. Whittecar of Concord, and Dr. S. Wilfred Hahn of Rock Hill, S. C.

Dr. Charles Carroll, North Carolina Superintendent of Public Instruction, will deliver the commencement address at the graduation exercises. Dr. Carroll received his A.B. degree from Trinity College, and his M.Ed. from Duke University. Dr. Carroll has been an outstanding leader in the public school systems for over a score of years. He has been Superintendent of Public Instruction for North Carolina since August, 1952.

He is a member of the North Carolina Education Association, National Education Association, and American Association of School Administration. Dr. Carroll is a member of the Methodist Church and has been recognized for the leadership in church affairs.

The Rev. George R. Whittecar, B.D., Pastor of Saint James Lutheran Church in Concord will deliver the Baccalaureate address. He has served pastorates in Beloit, Kansas; and Tulsa, Oklahoma. Pastor Whittecar received his formal education at Midland College and Western Theological Seminary. The Rev. Whittecar served in the capacities of Secretary, President, and Stewardship Secretary of the Kansas Synod from 1941-1950. He is also a member of the Board of Social Missions, ULCA, and Chairman of the Department of Evangelism of the Board of Social Missions. He is presently Chairman of the Commission on Pastoral Ministry, North Carolina Council of Churches.

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Honorary Degrees To Be Awarded Two Alumni

Two Lenoir Rhyne College alumni will be awarded honorary doctorate degrees at the Sixty-Fourth Commencement Exercises to be held May 30. The degree of Doctor of Humanities will be awarded to Mrs. Hilda Whitener Yoder of New York City, and the degree of Divinity will be given to the Rev. John Frank Davis of Wilmington, N. C.

A Reading Improvement specialist, Mrs. Yoder received the A.B. degree from Lenoir Rhyne College in 1924. Later she received the M.A. degree from Columbia University. Her preparation for the specialized field of reading has included positions as speech therapist at the National Hospital for Speech Disorders in New York City, and supervisor of reading clinics at the University of Virginia, Department of Neurology and Psychiatry.

Mrs. Yoder is a noted lecturer to medical and civic organizations, schools, and other professional groups, and is currently writing a book on reading. Mrs. Yoder is the Founder and Director of the Yoder Improvement Center, New York City, and also serves as director and consultant to various other schools and hospitals in New York state.

The Reverend John Frank Davis received the A.B. degree from Lenoir Rhyne College in 1925, and the B.D. degree from the Lutheran Southern Theological Seminary in 1928, and the M. A. degree from the University of South Carolina in 1928. He has pursued graduate study at the Yale Divinity School and the Union Theological Seminary.

An outstanding leader in the church the Reverend J. F. Davis has served pastorates in Kannapolis, Shelby, Concord, Gastonia, New York City, and Augusta, Ga. He is presently serving as pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Wilmington.



Pictured above are panel members who recently took part in a special Lenoir Rhyne College program in connection with her campaign to raise \$1,500,000. The program, carried over WBTV Charlotte, was seen by many alumni and friends of the college. They are left to right: David Wright, Greensboro; Dr. Harold Lineberger, Belmont; Malcolm M. Palmer, Albemarle, General Chairman; Dr. Voigt R. Cromer, president of Lenoir Rhyne; and Gil Stamper, master of ceremonies.

ANNUAL MEETING—

College Trustees Approve Auditorium and Gym Plan

The Board of Trustees of Lenoir Rhyne College devoted an all day session at the college Friday, April 15, to consideration of the development of plans for the P. E. Monroe Auditorium and Shuford Memorial Gymnasium.

In connection with the reports of the Auditorium Committee and the committee on Buildings and Grounds, R. L. Clemmer and Dietz Rudisill of the architectural and engineering firm of Clemmer, Horton and Rudisill and Associates, explained various features of the two buildings and gave an encouraging report on the progress now being made in pushing the plans to completion.

It is expected that detailed drawings and specifications for the Auditorium will be ready to be placed in the hands of bidders around June first and that bids will be received for the letting of the contract about a month later.

The Gymnasium plans will be finished and the contract let soon after those for the Auditorium.

The Board voted its approval of the plans for both buildings, which are of contemporary design, and its satisfaction with the features and facilities which they include.

The heating of the two buildings will be

from a single unit, which is being planned as a central heating system for later buildings in the expansion program of the college.

Other standing and special committees of the Board, including the Directing Committee of the \$1,500,000 campaign, reported during the afternoon. The directing committee stated that intensive effort was being made on the part of the campaign organization to bring the appeal to a successful conclusion by April 27, the date that the college report was made to the convention of the United Evangelical Lutheran Synod of North Carolina, which was held in Wilmington, N. C.

**HAVE YOU PLEDGED TO THE
DEVELOPMENT CAMPAIGN?**

**GIVE TODAY AND
HELP YOUR ALMA MATER
OVER THE TOP —**

30 MONTHS TO PAY

ALUMNI DAY PLANS POINT TO GALA DAY

Final plans for an extraordinary program have been completed for the Alumni of Lenoir Rhyne College who will return to the campus on Saturday, May 28, for their annual celebration.

The day's events will begin with registration in the Alumni office from ten o'clock until noon. Luncheon will be served in the college dining hall at 12:00, at which time a gala program will be presented. Dr. S. Wilfred Hahn, class of '41 of Rock Hill, S. C., will deliver the main address.

Immediately following the luncheon a short business meeting will be held for the purpose of electing new officers of the general Alumni Association. At 3:00 P. M. the following classes will hold reunions in the Administration Building: 1900, 1905, 1910, 1915, 1920, 1925, 1930, 1935, 1940, 1945, and 1950. From 3:30 to 4:45 P. M. a tea is to be given on the breeze way between Mauney and Schaeffer Halls for the Alumni, Seniors, and their guests.

The commencement play, "Bell, Book and Candle," will be presented by the Lenoir Rhyne Playmakers in the City Auditorium, the curtain rising at 8:15 P. M.

Several of the reunion classes have planned special functions in addition to the stated program of the day. These special features will be announced at the class reunions on Saturday afternoon. Earl Aiken, Director of Alumni Affairs, stated that it will not be necessary to make luncheon reservations and that tickets will be on sale at the dining hall door, Saturday morning.

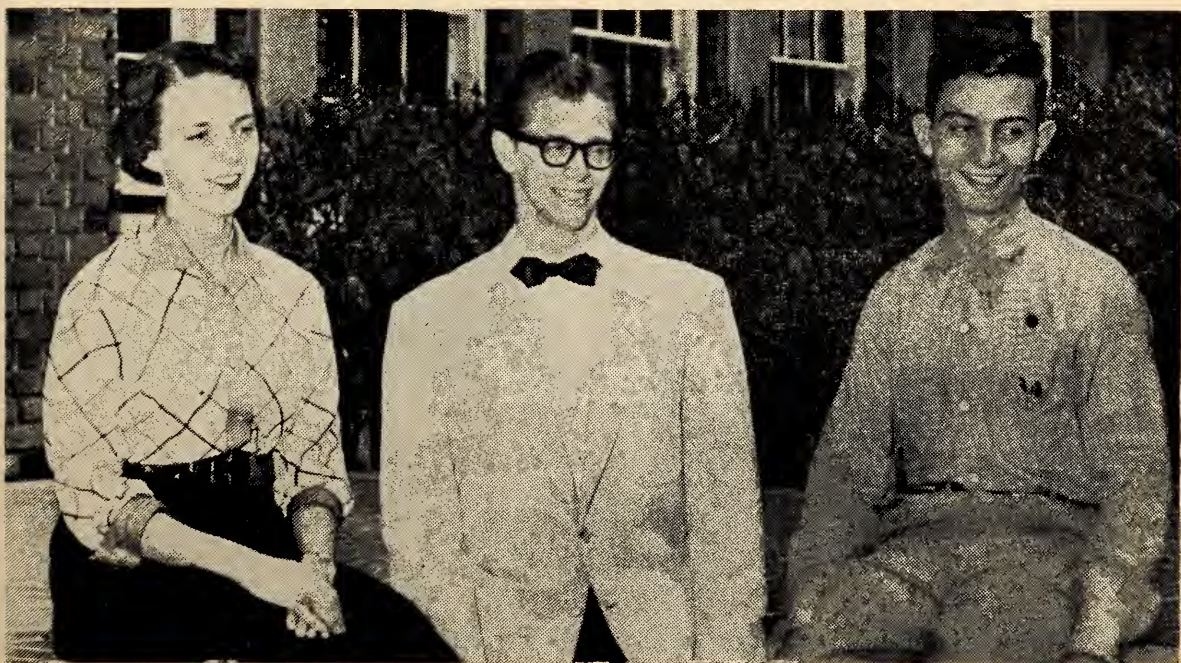
Student Body Elects Greensboro Man As Prexy

In a spirited election held on April 13 Lenoir Rhyne students elected student body officers and cabinet representatives for the 1955-56 school year. David Wright, a rising senior from Greensboro was elected president; Carl Ficken, a rising junior from Augusta, Ga., was chosen vice-president; and Miss Lois Koppen, a rising senior from Gastonia was selected secretary-treasurer. Cabinet members chosen were Jack Barringer, Jacksonville; Miss Mary Ann Grissom, Spencer, Paulwyn Boliek, Greenville, S. C.; Miss Trudy Castor, Newport, Tenn.; Miss Judy Ford, Cherryville; and George Keck, Hickory.

Wright, since matriculating at Lenoir Rhyne, has been outstanding in extra-curricular activities. He is a member of both the Alpha Tau Kappa and Pi Kappa Delta forensic fraternities, serving as president of the latter. He was recently the national winner in extemporaneous speaking at the nation-wide Pi Kappa Delta forensic tournament held in Redlands, California. Wright has served as vice-president of the Inter-Fraternity Council, and as chairman for the student campaign drive to raise \$1,500,000. He is a member of the Tau Kappa Epsilon social fraternity, and treasurer of the Carolinas-Virginia region of the National Students Association. He is an English major.

Ficken, a Pre-Theological major is a member of the Theta Chi social fraternity, the Lutheran Student Association, and the Diakonian Club. For the past year he has

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KOPPEN

WRIGHT

FICKEN



Shown above are new members of Lenoir Rhyne's honorary scholastic society, the Mu Sigma Epsilon. The society was organized during the last school year. Honorary membership was given to Dr. R. L. Fritz and Dr. M. L. Stirewalt, Sr.

Top Campus Honor Society Taps Eighteen

With an impressive program consisting of the induction of new officers and recognition of new members, the honorary scholastic society of Lenoir Rhyne, Mu Sigma Epsilon, held its first public spring ceremony Tuesday night, April 13. Presiding was Dr. Voigt R. Cromer, president of Lenoir Rhyne, and outgoing president of the organization.

The program was opened with the convocation and welcome extended by Dr. Cromer. Dr. W. T. Nau presented the scripture reading and prayer preceeding Professor M. C. Yoder, who summarized the origin and purpose of the society. Dr. Cromer then respectively recognized the new members, inducted the new officers, and introduced the speaker of the evening, Dr. M. L. Stirewalt, Sr.

Dr. Stirewalt's address, "The Bible in Our Culture," was the climaxing highlight of the evening affair. Explaining the connection of our culture and the Bible, Dr. Stirewalt stated, "Our culture was brought about by the influence of the Bible in education during the early history of our country." He later emphasized the importance of the Bible in our culture today by saying, "The Bible is a record of the origin, growth, and promotion of the people of God." He also pointed out that it is "the highest source of the best life that there is in the world." Then he went on to say that "the Bible deserves a larger place in the home."

Inducted as new officers for the coming year were: president, Prof. M. C. Yoder;

vice-president, Dr. H. R. Greenholt; secretary, Dr. W. R. Weaver; and treasurer, Dr. C. B. Park.

Formally accepted as honorary members into Mu Sigma Epsilon were Robert L. Fritz, Sr., former president and professor emeritus of Mathematics at Lenoir Rhyne College, and Dr. M. L. Stirewalt, Sr., current instructor in the religious education department.

New members formally initiated into the society were: Miss Mary Abernethy, Hickory; Robert Beard, Statesville; Miss Mary F. Brown, Danville, Va.; Miss Ann Cline, Granite Falls; Miss Elizabeth Cromer, Hickory; Mrs. Cornelia Kepley, Salisbury; Miss Lois Koppen, Gastonia; David Kunkler, Virginia Beach, Va.; Mrs. Beatrice Matheson, Taylorsville; Paul Smith, Lenoir; George Spencer, Newton; Bobby Stinson, Hickory; Miss Betty Taylor, Hickory; Miss Joan Ullman, Hickory; Miss Mary A. Wolfe, Stoneville; and Ray Yount, Hickory.

Mu Sigma Epsilon was organized during the past academic year of the college. The society has as its objective the encouragement and recognition of scholarly achievement in the liberal arts. Student members are elected to membership on the basis of their academic rank, scholastic average, period of residence, and number of hours completed in liberal arts as the principal considerations. Honorary members may be elected to the society in recognition of outstanding contribution in the field of liberal arts.

Lenoir Rhyne Speakers Take Honors In Natn'l Event

John Smart of Mooresboro and David Wright of Greensboro, two of Lenoir Rhyne's outstanding intercollegiate speakers, recently attended the national Pi Kappa Delta forensic tournament held at Redlands University, Redlands, California. Accompanying them on the trip was Dr. Albert Kiser, head of the college English department, who acted as coach and advisor.

Achieving an outstanding record, Wright, a junior, won first place in men's extemporaneous speaking in competition with ninety-two other colleges and universities entered. In addition, he also received a rating of "good" in oratory. Smart, also a junior, received a rating of "fair" to "good" in discussion. Against keen competition offered by teams from larger colleges and universities throughout the country, the man in the field of debating won five out of eight contests.

The Pi Kappa Delta honorary forensic fraternity, is the largest and most active



KEISER AND FRIENDS

of its kind in the United States. Altogether there are one hundred and seventy member schools in the organization. The Lenoir Rhyne chapters, one of the earlier, was organized in 1928. Dr. Keiser has been a member of the society since 1924 and holds a rank of special distinction for out-

Arrington Named to Direct Lincoln County Drama

Bradford M. Arrington of Hickory, director of dramatics at Lenoir Rhyne College has been named to direct "Thunder Over Carolina," an outdoor musical drama, which will be staged in Lincolnton in June and July. The drama was written by Charles Loveland and includes six songs written by Mr. Loveland.

The opening date has been set for June 17. Performances will be given on Friday, Saturday, and Monday nights, continuing through July 11.

The drama depicts the Whig-Tory battle at Ramsour's Mill at Lincolnton 175 years ago, which was one of the bloodiest engagements of the struggle for independence.

Mr. Arrington received his training in dramatics at the University of North Carolina and was an active member of the Carolina Playmakers. He also took part in the Cherokee play, "Unto These Hills."

standing teaching and coaching. At this recent convention held in April, he served as a judge for thirteen of the contests and took a prominent part in the business sessions of the convention.

Both representatives from Lenoir Rhyne have been active in the extra-curricular program of the college. In addition to debating, Wright is president of the local Pi Kappa Delta chapter, a member of the Alpha Tau Kappa honorary debating fraternity, and the Tau Kappa Epsilon social fraternity. Smart, in addition to active debating, is president of the Sigma Phi Epsilon social fraternity, a member of the Pi Kappa Delta honorary debating fraternity, and was a delegate to the State Student Legislature held last fall in Raleigh.

*Plan Now to Attend
The Sixty-Fourth
Annual Commencement
Exercises of
Lenoir Rhyne College*



New Publication leaders at Lenoir Rhyne are shown left to right: Don Nichols, Sanford; Bill McCullough, Lincolnton; Robert Dasher, Claremont; Bob Tannehill, Taylorsville; and Paul Boliek of Greenville, S. C.



Pictured above are Lenoir Rhyne debaters who have been outstanding in the field of forensics during the current school year. Dr. Albert Keiser is director of the group.



"Travelers" . . . The group above recently took a trip to New York City in connection with their study of Sociology 5. This course is the study of mankind, and while in New York they visited museums and other places pertaining to the course.



The a cappella choir is seen prior to leaving on their annual tour to give concerts in many Lutheran Churches in North Carolina. Nationally known, the choir is under the direction of Professor Kenneth B. Lee, head of the Music Department.

Lenoir Rhynean and Hacawa Staff Leaders Elected For 1955-'56

Lenoir Rhyne College students in a spirited election in March chose Publication Heads for the school year 1955-56. These offices included Editor-in-Chief of the Lenoir Rhynean and Hacawa, and Business Manager of the Lenoir Rhynean and Hacawa. Also elected was the Freshman Cabinet representative to the Student Government.

Chosen as Editor of the Lenoir Rhynean was Bill McCullough of Lincolnton. A rising senior and a pre-law major, McCullough has been outstanding in extra-curricular activities while at Lenoir Rhyne. He is former president of the Phi Kappa Delta forensic fraternity, a member of the A Cappella Choir, Alpha Tau Kappa local forensic fraternity, Iota Epsilon Omega journalistic fraternity, and has served as sports editor of the Lenoir Rhynean. He was one of six students to represent Lenoir Rhyne at the State Student Legislature in Raleigh last fall, and is a member of the Sigma Phi Epsilon social fraternity.

Selected to serve with McCullough as Business Manager of the Lenoir Rhynean was Paul Boliek of Greenville, S. C. A history major and a rising junior, Boliek served as President of his freshman class. At the present he is Head Cheerleader, a member of the debating team, Theta Chi social fraternity, and is presently serving as Advertising Manager of the Lenoir Rhynean.

Editor elect of the Hacawa, Don Nichols of Sanford is a rising senior and majoring in English and history. He is currently acting as Business Manager of the Hacawa. His activities include the Iota Epsilon Omega, Alpha Psi Omega dramatic fraternity, Playmakers, Religious Council, Lutheran Students Association, and furthermore he is a member of the Men's Hall Commission.

Robert Dasher, a rising senior and a history major from Claremont was selected to head the Business Staff of the Hacawa. This past year he has served as Business Manager of the Lenoir Rhynean. Dasher is a member of the Sigma Phi Epsilon social fraternity, and also the Iota Epsilon Omega journalistic fraternity.

Bob Tannehill of Taylorsville was elected to represent the freshman class as a Cabinet Member to the Student Government. He is majoring in English and is a member of the Sigma Phi Epsilon social fraternity.

Local Chapter Serves As Host to South Piedmont Regional Meet

The South Piedmont regional meeting of the Association for Childhood Education was held at Lenoir Rhyne college, February 21, in the Educational Building of St. Andrews Lutheran church.

The session was called to order by regional director, Miss Hattie Fowler, and devotions were rendered by Miss Frances Motsinger of High Point. Dr. Voigt R. Cromer, president of Lenoir Rhyne, presented the welcome to the group stating that, "Our children are our greatest treasure."

The Hickory Elementary School Choir, led by Mrs. Dan Hoyle of Viewmont school, presented a program of music including an operetta based on Hans Christian Anderson's "The Emperor's Nightingale."

Miss Annie Mae Murray, State president of the ACE, speaking to the group, expressed the hope to "... bring into our association all people in and outside the teaching profession who are interested in the welfare of children."

A report from the curriculum committee of the State Association for Child Education was brought by Miss Margaret Flinton, supervisor of white elementary schools in Charlotte. She commented on the subject of reorganization of the social studies of the curriculum in North Carolina schools. Each of the districts of the State ACE has been assigned a phase of social studies to be given special attention, Miss Flinton reported.

The South Piedmont district is studying economics, sociology and family living, she pointed out.

A panel on family living was held with Dr. George K. Douglas, director of family living education in the Charlotte schools, presiding. Others on the panel included Miss Margaret Flinton, Miss Dorothy Cameron, Mrs. Mildred Howerton and Miss Elizabeth Kendrick, all from the Charlotte city schools. These panel members suggested that social studies should be taught in all twelve grades not just in the high schools. They pointed out that if these studies are taught in all twelve grades, problems in social studies in the high school levels will be easier to follow.

Aims Stressed

Two aims of the family living program stressed at the meeting were: to help teachers understand all they possibly can about the child's family; and to help the child develop pride in and appreciation for



"May Day Beauties" . . . Shown above is Lenoir Rhyne's Queen of May and her attendants who reigned over May Day festivities on April 30. Seated left to right they are: Peggy Hoffman, Dallas; Gwen Christensen, Greensboro; Vanda Streller, May Queen, Floral Park, N. Y.; Jeanette Gardenhour, Smithburg, Md.; and Shirley Yount, Hickory. Standing left to right: Nancy Dickson, Spartanburg, S. C.; Alice Patterson, China Grove; Anne Best, Gastonia; Ann Cline, Granite Falls; Martha Hawley, Stanly; and Ann Krider, Concord.

his home and family. On the latter, the program seeks to help the child appreciate what his home and family does for his happiness and well-being; to assist him in appreciating his privileges and responsibilities as a member of the family; to give him opportunities to develop self esteem and personal worth; and to give him the opportunity to participate in many family pleasures and at the same time assume some of the family duties.

Dr. Max R. Raines, director of student personnel and head of student guidance at Appalachian State Teachers College, spoke to the educational group on the guidance in elementary classrooms. Dr. Raines said: "Today we need to teach more in our schools than just the three R's. There is a need to teach these children to adjust themselves to their surroundings. We must insure that the whole child is considered in our great educational program."

Representatives were from Albemarle, Charlotte, Gastonia, Lenoir, Mooresville, Salisbury, Concord, and Newton.

Speakers Named

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Dr. Wilfred Hahn, Head of the Department of Mathematics of Winthrop College, will be the speaker for the annual alumni luncheon. Dr. Hahn received his A. B. degree from Lenoir Rhyne College in 1941 and his Ph.D. from Duke University in 1948. From 1942-46 he was on active duty in the Navy and has remained active in the Naval Reserve, currently holding the rank of Lieutenant Commander. Dr. Hahn has served on the faculties of the University of Michigan and Wittenberg College. He was appointed Head of the Department of Mathematics of Winthrop College in 1951.

Alumni day will be observed Saturday, May 28; the Baccalaureate Service Sunday, May 29; and Commencement Exercises Monday morning, May 30.



TENNIS BETTER? —

BASKETBALL TEAM REGULAR SEASON CHAMPS — BASEBALL BEARS BELOW PAR

Although losing out in the North State tournament finals to Atlantic Christian, the Lenoir Rhyne Bears, nevertheless, turned in their most successful season in many a moon.

Putting together a 20 game winning streak after losing four straight, the Bears posted a 22-6 won-lost mark. The 22 wins not only marked Coach "Pappy" Hamilton's high but the all time high at Lenoir Rhyne.

Many honors came Lenoir Rhyne's way, including all-conference plaudits for Raeford Wells, Floyd Propst, and Bob Ortmyer. Wells also pulled down an All-State berth to climax the greatest season's performance by any player in North State Conference history.

When the firing was done, Wells emerged as the highest point machine this conference has ever produced. He broke seven loop records and numerous school marks in completely dominating the loop's individual scoring.

Wells' conference records included: most points scored in a single season—810, scoring average—28.9, field goals for one season—264, free throws for one season—282, points scored in one contest—55, free throws in one game—27, and the two season point total—1327.

However, Wells was not the only Bear performer to break records. Bob Ortmyer set a new state standard for rebounds in one game with 44 and broke the loop mark for rebounds in one season with 671.

Besides Wells, the Bears had three other players over the 300 point mark, led by Ortmyer with 515, Roland Barker with 360, and Propst with 320. Walter Cornwell, the fifth starter, collected 236 markers and proved a big asset to the Bruin team with his dribbling antics and ball handling.

Starting out slowly, the Bears lost four out of their first five contests but caught fire against Newberry and were invincible for the next 20 games. Their win skein included wins over Virginia Tech, Belmont Abbey, and Atlantic Christian.



Raeford Wells, the Bear's great cage star, looks puzzled as he sits beside an adding machine after breaking seven conference records this winter. He was recently named to the NAIA All-American first team.

The Bruins ended the regular season on top of the heap with a 14-2 conference mark and were favorites to cop the annual tournament at Lexington. But the old loop jinx got the best of the Bears and they fell before the ACC Bulldogs in the finale, 85-108.

However, they bounced back from the tourney loss to upend a strong Presbyterian team, which was considered the top small college outfit in South Carolina.

Atlantic Christian again proved too much for the Bears in the District 26 NAIA finals as Lenoir Rhyne went down this time, 85-94.

Averaging 90 points per contest, the Bruins went over the century mark no less than nine times during the season and

twice scored 113 points, a new school record for one game.

BASEBALL NOTES . . . Coach Mac Erwin's baseball team opened their 1955 season by edging Belmont Abbey 7-2 but lost to Wofford twice and Davidson once. Their conference season opened with a twin bill win over Catawba.

Coach Erwin put together several newcomers with a host of veterans to form the nucleus of his 1955 outfit, headed by outfielders Joe Buff and Virgil Whitley, infielders Jimmy Kimmell, Paul Connor, and Billy Pharr, catcher Johnny Deal, and hurlers Buzz Peeler, Walter Cornwell, and Roland Barker.

Pitchers Hal Bullard and Fritz Apple, and outfielder Herb Powell led the newcomers to the Bear den.

BEAR FACTS . . . Athletic Director Clarence Stasavich added a new name to the Bruin football coaching staff when Gene Abercrombie returned to assist in the tutoring. Abercrombie was a former star guard for Stasavich's 1951 championship eleven . . . Arden "Baby" Ray, an all-conference guard in 1952, will return to bolster the 1955 gridiron forces . . . In a year and a half of pitching for the Bears, lefty Buzz Peeler has won nine games while losing but three for the Bruin diamond nine.

Football Schedule

Sept. 17—Newport News	
Apprentice School, Here	
Sept. 24—East Carolina.....	Away
October 1—Newberry	Here
Oct. 8—Appalachian	Away
Oct. 15—Guilford	Here
Oct. 22—Western Carolina	Away
Octo. 29—Emory & Henry.....	Away
Nov. 12—Elon	Here
Nov. 24—Catawba	Here

Season Tickets (reserved Seats) will be available to Alumni August 15, 1955. Season tickets will be \$10 and can be obtained by sending check or money order to the Public Relations Office. No single tickets will be sold until after September 1.



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NEWS OF THE ALUMNI

Jack Coffey, a member of the First Baptist Church in Granite Falls, was recently ordained to the gospel ministry. Coffey attended Lenoir Rhyne before graduating from Wake Forest in 1954.

"Wings of Gold" of a Naval Aviator and his commission were awarded to Frank A. Renigar, of Asheboro. Renigar attended Lenoir Rhyne College prior to entering the Naval Aviation Cadet program through the U. S. Naval Air Station at Atlanta, Ga.

Two Lenoir Rhyne College graduates have accepted active positions with the American Red Cross Service.

Edwin L. Rogers, of Hickory, has reported to San Francisco for processing prior to departure for the Far East and an overseas assignment as an assistant field director in the American Red Cross services to the armed forces program.

Mr. Rogers attended Lenoir Rhyne College and graduated with an A.B. degree in 1949.

Albert Holcomb, of Shelby, recently reported to Washington where he was also processed before accepting the position of field director and an overseas assignment in Europe.

Mr. Holcomb graduated from Lenoir Rhyne College in 1948. Before entering

service he was an instructor for five years in the public schools of Hickory and Catawba County.

At the beginning of the second semester, Lenoir Rhyne welcomed back a returning alumnus of 1952, Gene Abercrombie of Shelby, N. C. Abercrombie who formerly graduated with an A.B. degree in business administration returned to complete a major in physical education. He is currently assisting Coach Clarence Stasavich as an assistant line coach.

Abercrombie presently plans to go higher in the field of education, and work on to a master's degree. He also pointed out that Gene and Jerry Robinson, alumni of 1953, plan to return and major in physical education.

John Paul Jones, an alumnus of Lenoir Rhyne and graduate of 1951, has been in spring training this past season with the Cleveland Indians at Daytona Beach, Florida. He has been working out in preparation of the coming season during which he will play in a Class AA league in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Last year Jones was affiliated with an Indian team in Reading, Pa. His mother is Mrs. A. G. Jones of 1623 First Avenue, S. W., Hickory, N. C.

WEDDING BELLS

Miss Revonda Mae Lail of Hickory became the bride, this past February 26, of Mr. Edward Bevington Martin, who is originally of Baltimore, Maryland. Mr. Martin is a graduate of the class of 1954 and received an A.B. degree in Spanish and business administration.

Matrimonial vows were spoken by Miss Doris Geraldine Swatzel of Hickory and Mr. Bobby Lynn Travis, '50, of Conover. The wedding took place on February 26.

Miss Elma Katherine Peniger, '41, of Concord, recently became the bride of James E. Bennick of Charlotte. Mrs. Bennick attended Lenoir Rhyne as a commercial major.

Miss Jeanne Carol Gregg, '53, of Lenoir, was married this past February to Mr. James Hudgins of Charlotte, a graduate of the class of 1952.

Miss Jean Annas, '53, and Mr. Carroll E. Goodman were married March 12. Mrs. Goodman is originally of Hickory, however the couple plan to make their home in Conover.

January 23 was the date of the wedding of Miss Elizabeth Ann Goodyear to Mr. John H. Ford, both of whom are of Charlotte. Mr. Ford last attended Lenoir Rhyne in 1949. The couple will reside in Charlotte.

The marriage of Miss Margaret Elizabeth White, '23, to Mr. Zeb Wesley Brown took place on March 12. Mrs. Brown is presently serving on the Icard school faculty. The couple will keep home in Hickory.

Mary Caroline Cowan was recently wed to Grier Edward Sherrill, of Burlington, N. J., who graduated from Lenoir Rhyne in 1932. Mr. Sherrill majored in chemistry and has since done graduate work at U. N. C.

The wedding of Miss Patricia Ann Little to Mr. John Thomas Deveney, '50, of Con-

cord took place on December 26. The couple is now residing in Charlotte.

On December 26, the marriage of Miss Millicent Squires Coley, '54, of Newton, to Mr. Samuel Rowe also of Newton, took place. The couple is presently residing in Newton.

Miss Loretta Jane Jefferies was recently wed to Mr. Brade Kenner Lineberger, both of whom are of Hickory. Mr. Lineberger graduated from Lenoir Rhyne in August of 1954.

The marriage of Miss Addie Joy Crapps to Mr. John Cristwell Strouse, Jr., took place on December 26. Mr. Strouse received his A.B. degree from Lenoir Rhyne in 1948 and has since been engaged in graduate work at U. N. C.

The Ascension Episcopal Church of Hickory was the scene of the wedding of Miss Nancy Poovey to Mr. Walter N. Yount, Jr. The ceremony took place on September 4, 1954. Mr. Yount last attended Lenoir Rhyne in 1954.

Miss Roberta Walcher became the bride of Robert E. Dickey at St. John's Lutheran Church in Rincon, Georgia, on August 7, 1954. Mrs. Dickey is a graduate of the class of 1954.

On Easter Sunday, in St. John's Lutheran Church of Concord, Miss Sue Ritchie, '54, became the bride of Mr. Ned Ritchie. Mrs. Ritchie is from Concord and Mr. Ritchie hails from Kannapolis.

Miss Elizabeth (Sissy) Martin of Morganton recently was wed to Dave Gorsline who was formerly of Williamston, Michigan. Both attended Lenoir Rhyne, Mr. Gorsline receiving his A.B. degree in 1954. The wedding took place in September.

Miss Betty Jo Stine of Hildebran became the bride of Mickey S. Pierce, '53, of Hickory, on Saturday afternoon of April 2. Mr. Pierce received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Lenoir Rhyne in 1953. The couple will reside in Hickory.

On April 9, Miss Betty June Weaver, a Lenoir Rhyne graduate of the class of 1952, became the bride of Durwood Boyce Peele of Newton. The couple are presently at home in Newton.

Miss Ruby Monteen Jones of Newton was married to Clarence T. Fox, Jr., also of Newton. The wedding took place on April 9. Mr. Fox last attended Lenoir Rhyne in 1952.

Miss Peggy Lewis Rudisill, of Lincolnnton was wed to James A. Gray of Char-

lotte. The couple made their vows at a ceremony held Easter Sunday.

On April 16, Miss Frances Hennessee, '52, of Morganton, was wed to the Rev. Robert Keith Glover, of Bailey. The ceremony took place in Fayetteville.

Miss Mary Ann Starnes recently became the bride of Mr. Max Robert Cody of Hickory. Mr. Cody last attended Lenoir Rhyne in 1953.

The marriage of Miss Sylvia Willene Dunn, of Charlotte to Herman James Cross, Jr. of Mount Holly, took place on April 16. Mr. Cross was a student at Lenoir Rhyne in 1952.

Miss Jo Ann Hall, '54, of Salisbury, and Mr. Ross Ritchie, '54, of Konnarock, Va., have announced their wedding plans for their marriage which will take place on May 22. Mr. Ritchie is presently attending the Southern Seminary in Columbia, South Carolina.

The engagement of Miss Carol Long, of the present graduating class, to Mr. Herman George Fisher, Jr., has been announced. The wedding is to take place sometime in June. Mr. Fisher is a graduate of the class of 1954 and is presently attending the Southern Seminary in Columbia, S. C.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cline announce the birth of a son, James Robert, Jr., at Salisbury on September 16, 1954. Mrs. Cline is the former Miss Claire Holling, '48. The Clines are now residing in Shelby.

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everlasting grateful for what you in this community have done."

Dr. Cromer, as head of Lenoir Rhyne, voiced his thanks for what everyone had done for "a cause that is dear to all of us—for an institution that belongs to all of us."

Special guests introduced included Dr. and Mrs. F. L. Conrad, Salisbury; Harry E. Isenhour, chairman of the board of trustees of Lenoir Rhyne; J. L. and Harry Arndt, conference leaders; D. R. Mauney, Jr., of Cherryville, also a conference leader; and Dr. Harry D. Henry of Hickory, a friend of the college.

During the Victory Dinner, Dr. Frye was presented a small pig symbolizing his "bringing home the bacon."

Student Body Elects

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served on the student cabinet and has been active as a sophomore class leader. Ficken has also participated in intercollegiate debating.

Miss Koppen has actively participated in the student government as a cabinet member for the past two years. A winner of the Freshman Medal during her freshman year, she is a member of the Philia Sorority and the Mu Sigma Epsilon honorary scholastic society. Her other activities include the YWCA and the Haca-wa staff.

Retiring officers are: president, Don Woolly of Albemarle; vice-president, Bill Jennings of Charlotte; and secretary-treasurer, Miss Margaret Lineberger of Dallas.

Report to Synod Shows

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Science Building, P. E. Monroe Auditorium and an addition to the dining hall. Construction of the auditorium and the gymnasium is to begin within the next few months. Enrollment at Lenoir Rhyne and necessary improvements in facilities for teaching make the proposed building all necessary additions. Like all higher educational institutions, Lenoir Rhyne must increase its endowment to enable it to operate on a sound financial basis which has been one of its accomplishments for many years. The Synod of North Carolina which owns and controls the college contributes annually to the operating needs in addition to an apportionment by each member in the North Carolina Lutheran Synod.

Students and Faculty Attend Meeting of NCEA

Six students and five faculty members from Lenoir Rhyne college represented the college in various capacities at the seventy-first annual convention of the North Carolina Education Association in Asheville. The convention was held March 25.

Bobby Stinson of Hickory and Miss Melba Taylor of Leesville, S. C., Lenoir Rhyne's "Mr. and Miss Future Teacher," headed the list of students attending the meeting. Miss Taylor and Mr. Stinson were presented, along with other future teachers from other colleges and universities in North Carolina, to the general session of the NCEA during the evening and were



Enthusiastically cleaning the new stacks which were recently installed in the Carl A. Rudisill Library of the college are Misses Aileen and Mabel Aderholdt, the sister librarians of Lenoir Rhyne. These new facilities were installed at beginning of the year to accommodate the college's entire collection of 37,000 volumes, some of which had to be stored away because of inadequate shelving space.

also platform guests of the NCEA.

Other students representing the college were Misses Anne Best of Gastonia, Martha McRae of Wadesboro, Jane Winecoff of Kannapolis, and Helen Shuford, of East Cramerton. Misses McRae, Shuford, and Winecoff represented the local chapters of the Association for Childhood Education and the Future Teachers of America respectively. Miss Best was a student member of a panel group composed of a classroom teacher, a superintendent, a college professor and another student. She discussed "Conduct Standards Pertaining to Relations with Associates."

Lenoir Rhyne professors attending the convention were Professor G. R. Patterson, adviser for the local F. T. A., Misses Hattie Fowler and Minnie Lee Peedin, advisers of the local A. C. E., and Dr. Roy Ullman. Dr. Conrad B. Park gave an address entitled "New Horizons in This World of Science" at a science group meeting.

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PROGRAM
The Sixty-Fourth Annual Commencement
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MAY 26 — MAY 30, 1955

THURSDAY, MAY 26

Junior-Senior Oratorical Contest.....8:15 P. M.
Assembly Building

FRIDAY, MAY 27

Commencement Recital8:15 P. M.
Assembly Building

SATURDAY, MAY 28

Alumni Luncheon 12:00 Noon
Speaker: S. Wilfred Hahn, Ph.D., '41
Head, Department of Mathematics
Winthrop College, Rock Hill, South Carolina
Business Meeting of Alumni Association 2:00 P. M.
College Dining Hall
Class Reunions 3:00 P. M.
Classes of 1900, 1905, 1910, 1915, 1920, 1925,
1930, 1935, 1940, 1945 and 1950
Tea for Alumni, Seniors and Visitors 3:30 to 4:45 P. M.
Class Day Exercises.....5:00 P. M.
Commencement Play.....8:15 P. M.
City Auditorium

SUNDAY, MAY 29

Baccalaureate Service.....11:00 A. M.
Speaker: The Reverend George R. Whittecar, A.B., B.D.
Pastor, Saint James Evangelical Lutheran Church
Concord, North Carolina
Center Theater
Reception for Graduates and Their Parents
3:00 to 5:00 P. M.
Home of President and Mrs. Voigt R. Cromer

MONDAY, MAY 30

Graduation Exercises.....10:00 A. M.
Speaker: Charles Fisher Carroll, A.B., M.Ed., LL.D.
State Superintendent of Public Instruction
Raleigh, North Carolina
Center Theater